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HELEN YORKE RECITAL

It has been said of the young Prince of Wales who is now making a triumphal tour of Canada that he has a way of walking straight into the hearts of people. With equal truth may it be said of Helen Yorke. For the crowning possession of this gifted girl's endowment, is that elusive, persuasive, captivating thing called temperament, without which the highest success of an artist is never attained.

The glorious voice, the marvel of its training, would anywhere compel admiration. Allied to the irresistible magnetism of her personality it wins infinitely more than that, and gives her a stage presence rarely equalled for charm and appeal.

The enthusiasm with which she was received on Thursday evening, the responsiveness, the warmth of expression, have certainly forever vindicated Bethel people from the charge of being musically cold, indifferent or unappreciative. So delightedly was the winsome, white-robed girl welcomed, that a storm of applause broke when she had magnificently taken the final high B flat in the aria from La Traviata. Again and again after each triumphant number she was called back to smile and bow her acknowledgments, smiling and bowing her gracious way each time further and further into the hearts of her enraptured audience.

Four years and a half of courageous, unremitting work under the great Scastiani of Naples have trained to marvelous results a voice of very unusual quality and range. And have left unspoiled the naive, the inimitable, the lovely, unselfconscious spontaneity of mood which so fascinated those who had the pleasure of hearing her six years ago. Rather, life under the sun of Italian skies seems but to have quickened and intensified the winning charm which is hers by birthright.

Miss Yorke is a brilliant coloratura soprano. She has an exceptional upper register and a perfectly wonderful manner of taking high notes and swelling them into vibrant power. One distinctive feature of her voice is its beautiful natural trill.

The artistically arranged programme showed her wide versatility. Each number evinced sincerity of interpretation and made its own peculiar appeal. Her audience fairly held its breath with wonder at the high bird like notes of Villanelle, beautiful and clear.

In the group of Neapolitan songs she catches all the life, the abandon, the haunting vibrant quality of the Italian voice. She does not imitate. She is, in pose, in gesture, in evanescent vivacity and pathos of mood, the Neapolitan singer, so entirely does her dramatic power enable her to identify herself with a part.

Bethel may well be proud of being the birthplace of Helen Yorke. If her splendid promise is fulfilled it will be wonder yet and will delight to recall that it was here she made her first appearance before the public, when at the age of three, in Garland Chapel she represented Baby Stuart. Maine has sent out two great prima donnas. Those who heard Miss Yorke on Thursday night believe it is to have a third.

Following is the programme of the evening. Miss Blanche Herick's carefully intelligent accompaniments gave more satisfaction, and the piano solos of Misses Tyler and Farwell were much enjoyed.

PART I

1. The Lass with the Delicate Air, Alto

2. Holvig's Song, Grieg

3. Yea and Nay, Old French Melody, Miss Yorke

4. "For a Little Traveller," Verdi

5. Solo, Miss Yorke

6. Solo, Miss Yorke

7. Solo, Miss Yorke

8. Solo, Miss Yorke

9. Solo, Miss Yorke

10. Solo, Miss Yorke

11. Solo, Miss Yorke

12. Solo, Miss Yorke

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16. Solo, Miss Yorke

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25. Solo, Miss Yorke

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28. Solo, Miss Yorke

CHURCH ACTIVITIES

METHODIST CHURCH

Morning worship at 10:45. Mr. N. H. Springer will supply the pulpit. Sunday School at 12. Evening service at 7. The Ladies' Aid will meet with Mrs. A. L. Roberts at the home of Mr. William Fuller, Thursday afternoon, at 2:30.

CONGREGATIONAL CHURCH

Sunday: Morning worship with sermon by the pastor, a Labor Sunday sermon, at 10:45. The third quarterly collection for Missions will be taken. Christian Endeavor service in the evening at 7 o'clock. Topic, The Christian Challenge to Life Service.

The Ladies' Club was most hospitably entertained at the home of Mrs. G. L. Thurston. Mrs. Thurston, Mrs. Richardson and Mrs. Boyker being the hostesses. The program was most pleasing as Mrs. Miller of Elizabeth, N. J., gave a most interesting account of her travels in France where they went before they could return to the United States. Those who had the pleasure of listening to her talk of last week will be pleased to know she has consented to talk upon the McCall Relief work in which she is deeply interested.

At the close of the program the ladies were invited to the dining room where delicious refreshments of cake and ice cream were served by the hostesses.

TWENTY-THIRD MAINE VETERANS GATHER

Pleasant Reunion of Old Comrades of This Regiment

Although the youngest of them acknowledges 71 years, one would have thought that the veterans of the Twenty-third Maine who gathered for their annual reunion at South Paris, Wednesday, Aug. 20, were really the "boys" that they call themselves, from the lively character of the greetings and the general vigor of the men, all past three score and ten. The affair was in all its features one of the best reunions that the regiment has held.

In the forenoon the business meeting of the association was held in the club room of Grand Army Hall, President Gilman A. Whitman of South Paris presiding. Prayer was offered by C. H. Tripp of Mechanic Falls. The report of A. P. Warren, the treasurer, showed \$19.37 on hand, with bills paid.

Twenty-four members responded to the roll call during the session, as follows:

William L. Grover, Harrison, Co. D.

H. P. Wheeler, Bethel, Co. B.

David Jordan, Norway, Co. C.

Moses Kimball, Norway, Co. C.

Edward Kneeland, Norway, Co. C.

J. M. Reed, Kennecunkport, Co. A.

A. F. Warren, Buckfield, Co. C.

Joseph H. Young, Lewiston, Co. C.

C. O. Holt, Lewiston, Co. C.

Gilman A. Whitman, So. Paris, Co. D.

S. E. Conant, Buckfield, Co. D.

C. B. Davis, Minot, Co. D.

George W. Cole, Paris, Co. F.

William L. Gray, South Paris, Co. F.

L. L. Jackson, South Paris, Co. F.

Hudson Knight, South Paris, Co. F.

Freeland Young, Norway, Co. F.

C. H. Tripp, Mechanic Falls, Co. G.

W. D. Puffer, Auburn, Co. G.

Charles S. Penley, Norway, Co. H.

W. Frank Cox, Norway, Co. H.

J. F. Fuller, Oxford, Co. I.

H. P. Melnes, Andover, Co. I.

Albert H. Hill, Brownfield, Co. K.

Eight comrades were reported as having died during the past year, as follows:

Enos T. Luce, Waltham, Mass., lieutenant colonel of the Twenty-third, and the last of the line officers.

George F. Merrow, Auburn, Co. E.

David Woodman, Portland, Co. E.

Alfred Allen, Livermore Falls, Co. E.

Isaiah Randall, Hebron, Co. F.

I. F. Emmons, West Paris, Co. F.

C. W. Brown, Auburn, Co. I.

C. B. Brown, Livermore, Co. I.

Officers of the association for the coming year were elected as follows:

Prec. William L. Grover, Harrison.

Vice Pres. Harlan P. Wheeler, Bethel.

Sec. Treas. A. F. Warren, Buckfield.

Chaplain C. H. Tripp, Mechanic Falls.

It was voted to hold the meeting next year at Mechanic Falls.

At noon a dinner was served in Grand Army Hall by Mrs. R. Kimball and ladies of the G. A. R., and about seventy were seated at the tables.

The afternoon program opened in Grand Army Hall at half past one. President Whitman called the assembly to order, and the program began with a song and drum, played by the

band. William Bridgman and A. P. Farwell

GRANGE NEWS

NEW CENTURY POMONA GRANGE

New Century Pomona was held Wednesday with Lons Mountain Grange and 115 members were present at the opening session.

Thirty-two candidates received the fifth degree. A delicious dinner was served at noon.

An open meeting was held in the afternoon. The lecturer's program follows: Fancy dancing by Bernice Hart of Lawrence, after which Mr. Brooks Brown of the Dept. of Agriculture, spoke on milk and its many uses in the State, then Mr. A. W. Abbott of Augusta talked on cattle and farming which was listened to with very much attention. The program closed with a piano duet by Miss Susan Martin of Rumford and Mrs. Gladys Abbott of South Andover.

MOUNTAIN VIEW GRANGE

Mountain View Grange, No. 437, held its regular meeting last Tuesday evening, Aug. 19, with Worthy Master A. T. Henth in the chair. After the routine of business the Lecturer presented the following program:

Song, By All

Question: Shall the League of Nations as proposed by the peace conference at Paris be endorsed?

Brothers Wright and Bryant

Reading, A. B. Bryant

Question: What has become of the old fashioned flower gardens?

Sister Curtis

Song, Till We Meet Again, Brothers Simpson and Bryant

Reading, Mae Curtis

Closing Song, America, By All

There were nineteen members present and six visitors from Bethel Grange, and one from Winthrop Grange, Shelburne, N. H.

Warren of Buckfield, who have officiated on so many similar occasions. The singing of The Star Spangled Banner followed.

A short address of welcome to South Paris was given by Walter L. Gray, and the response was made by Secretary A. P. Warren of the association.

The musical numbers included "Columbia, Queen of Nations," by the Baptist Quartette, Miss Graves, Mrs. Smiley, Mr. Cutting and Mr. Dean, Mrs. Dickett at the piano; selections, "My Native Land," and "America, My Country," by the Jolly Gentlemen (Glee Club), the latter with solo by Mr. Brooks; "Banner of Beauty," by the Jolly Gentlemen Quartette, Messrs. Bolster, Brooks, Woodworth and Miller, Mrs. Wilson accompanist; and two selections, "Our Flag," and "Tenting on the Old Camp Ground," by the Schubert Quartette, Mrs. Wilson, Mrs. Wheeler, Mrs. Smiley and Mrs. Burnham.

Remarks were made, mainly in leaf talks, by William L. Grover of Harrison, H. P. Wheeler of Bethel, D. B. Stewart of South Paris, and H. P. McInnes of Andover.

America, sung by the audience, closed the day's exercises.

BEAR RIVER GRANGE FAIR

The Bear River Grange Fair will be held Sept. 27 at Newry Corner, Me.

The following program will take place during the day:

10 A. M.—Sports.

11 A. M.—Judging stock.

12 M.—Dinner, beans baked in the ground, 35 cents.

1:30 P. M.—Falling horses.

2:00 P. M.—Ball game.

Dancing afternoon and evening, 50 cents a couple. 15 cents admission to fairgrounds. Everybody come.

TWO-THIRDS OF WORLD'S HOGS IN THIS COUNTRY

Recent investigations by the Department of Agriculture disclose that the United States has relatively larger herds of livestock than any other country in the world. In respect to swine, this country is easily first, but holds second place in the number of sheep and of cattle.

It is estimated that there are approximately 180,000,000 swine in the world. Of these considerably more than a third are in this country. There are probably 475,000,000 head of cattle and about 500,000,000 head of sheep in all Europe, Asia, Africa, Australia, North and South America and the islands of the seas.

Although swine are less numerous than cattle or sheep in the world at large they are more plentiful than either of the other classes of livestock in the United States. There are more hogs in this country than in all its nearest competitors combined. Australia leads the world in the number of sheep.

Swine raising has become a great industry in Europe and South America. In 1918 it represented more than two-thirds of the exports of meat from the United States. The Department of Agriculture is actively undertaking the conservation of swine.

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BETHEL INN

Mr. and Mrs. J. N. Laing of Montreal were at the Inn the 26th.

Mrs. F. E. Dean, Miss Dean and Mr. Dean were overnight guests the 26th.

Dr. and Mrs. E. H. Ross of St. Johnsbury, Vt., were guests of the Inn last week.

Mr. and Mrs. Alex. Carleton of Hallowell, N. J., were at the Inn over the week end.

Mr. and Mrs. Geo. W. Morse and family of Boonville, N. J., had rooms at the Willows Cottage over Sunday.

Mr. Ludwig Sahlberg and wife of Providence spent the night at the Inn, the 26th, on their way to Quebec.

Miss Knapp, who has been a guest of Miss Julia Lathier for two weeks, left for her home in Scranton, Pa., Tuesday.

Mr. and Mrs. Brocklesby and Mr. and Mrs. Parker of Philadelphia, Pa., were at the Inn for a day or two last week.

Mr. and Mrs. C. E. Foster and Mrs. R. L. Coleman spent Sunday at Bethel Inn on their return trip to their home in Providence.

Mrs. M. H. Goldsmith and Mrs. Rose Sobotky left for their home in Boston, Wednesday morning by motor, after two months spent at Bethel Inn.

Mrs. M. U. Ross, Miss Ross, Mr. and Mrs. C. C. Claffin and Miss Mildred Taylor of Cleveland were dinner guests the 26th. Mrs. Ross is a sister of Mr. W. J. Upson.

Reservations are made for Mr. and Mrs. Chester Bolton and Mr. and Mrs. Brewster of Cleveland for the 27th. Mrs. Bolton is a sister of Mr. W. J. Upson.

Mr. and Mrs. R. H. Keiser of St. Louis, Mo., found the Inn a very comfortable place to spend the week end, where they were caught by the rain of Saturdays and Sunday.

Miss Maria Penne called on her friends at the Inn, Tuesday evening. This is the first time Miss Penne has been in Bethel since she left for California in January and her friends gave her a warm welcome.

Mr. and Mrs. H. P. Spotswood and daughter of Key West, Fla., are at the Inn for a few days. Mrs. Spotswood is the daughter of Mrs. Macdonald, who was a guest at the Inn for the month of July with her daughter, Janice.

Mr. and Mrs. Arthur L. Evans, Wakefield, Mass., and Mr. and Mrs. Arthur L. Evans of Braintree, Mass., were overnight guests at the Inn the past week. While they have the same name, they are not related, just the best of friends.

THE HOME INDUSTRY

Brading Rugs is the most attractive and best paid form of home employment for women who want to turn the hours into money.

Seven years ago, the President of Pinkham Association Inc. conceived the idea of turning what had formerly been an article of no established value, Hand Braided Rugs, into a business. Women throughout the State who had formerly made rugs from the family rag bag, and for their own use only, became Associate Rug Makers and the product was placed on the market.

To-day, there are several hundred Associate Rug Makers who are devoting all or part of their time to brading rugs right in their own homes and receiving cash for the time they are giving to the work. Practically every community in the State has a rug maker who is a Pinkham Associate and she is earning good pay.

Many of the Associates who are on the pay roll to-day have been making Pinkham Braided Rugs continuously since 1912. Quite a few of them earn from six to seven hundred dollars a year and attend to their household duties as well.

Full particulars explaining how to become a Pinkham Associate Rug Maker may be had upon request by sending your name and address to Pinkham Associates, Inc., 819 Washington Ave., Portland, Maine—Adv.

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THE HOME CIRCLE

Pleasant Reveries—A Column Dedicated to Tired Mothers as they join the Home Circle at Evening Tide.

MUSIC OF HOME

Music of home, music of home—that is the sweetest of all.
Music of home, music of home—lovely its interludes fall.
Music of sweetness,
And music of light,
That silvers the dawn, dear,
And sanctifies night.

Music of home, music of home—ever that music for me;
Singing its song of the beauty of faith,
The flower and the bending tree.
Music of feeling,
And music of mirth,
That wakens forever
The heartbeat of earth.

Music of home, music of home—songs that keep winning us here,
Back to the simple things, back to the love that clings unto the home, my dear.

Music of ecstasy,
Sweetest of all;
Lovely its interludes
Unto us call.

KITCHEN SANITATION

Regular Inspection of Conditions—Treatment of Package and Canned Foodstuffs

An interesting article by Sarah Devoc appeared in a recent issue of The Delinquent. The article touched on some important points in inspecting the sanitary conditions of our kitchens. She writes in brief:

"Let us suppose, in a moment's flight of the imagination, that our home kitchens could be inspected regularly and carefully by feminine inspectors, as thoroughly as the men who go about for the United States Government looking into the sanitation of the factories which put up our food-products for us. Perhaps we don't like to think too much about the possibilities inherent in such a situation. Yet such regular inspection would help us a whole lot. And one of the things it would accomplish would be to prevent the misuse and unsanitary treatment of the foods with which such scrupulous care is taken at the factory. Three-fourths of our foodstuffs—so it has been estimated—come to us in package form. There is a straight line from the factory to the kitchen. Domestic commerce is, literally, tied to the apron strings of the cook. These groceries, whether they turn out canned goods, meats, vegetables or crackers and biscuits, are as regularly inspected as a hospital. The men and women employed in preparing the goods have their hair covered with white-linen caps. They wear white aprons that pale blue as those of many women in their home kitchens. All this is to guarantee absolute fitness in the home product. But what of the kitchen in which the package finally comes? How does it compare with the factory? Buy a box of crackers for, say, five cents; take it home. The chances are that you rip open with any knife the first side that turns up, then take out half of the crackers and leave the open box on the pantry shelf. The crackers left exposed become damp. After two or three days they are thrown away. 'They don't keep well,' is your comment. Your right just as well have thrown away the whole box. You would save the trouble and one half cents at the beginning of your purchase of a five-cent box for only kept food exposes to rotting the remaining half of the crackers were absolutely as well prepared, either by the factory or by you."

"In most kitchens, canned meats, soups, vegetables are opened and their contents exposed with utter recklessness. You would see a glass jar left open over a kitchen drain. Improperly kept food exposes to rotting the remaining half of the crackers were absolutely as well prepared, either by the factory or by you."

THE JOY OF MOTHERHOOD

Came to this Woman after Taking Lydia E. Pinkham's Vegetable Compound to Restore Her Health

Elizabeth, Wash.—"After I was married I was not well for a long time and a good deal of the time was not able to go about. Our greatest desire was to have a child in our home and one day my husband came back from town with a bottle of Lydia E. Pinkham's Vegetable Compound and wanted me to try it. It brought relief from my troubles. I improved in health so I could do my housework; we now have a little one, all of which I owe to Lydia E. Pinkham's Vegetable Compound."—Mrs. O. E. Johnson, R. No. 5, Ellensburg, Wash.

There are women everywhere who need this happiness on account of some functional disorder which in most cases would readily yield to Lydia E. Pinkham's Vegetable Compound. No woman should not give up hope. They can give this wonderful medicine a trial. For special advice write to Lydia E. Pinkham Medicine Co., 100 West 8th St., Lowell, Mass. The result of 40 years' experience is in this medicine.



The first sip of irresistible Clicquot Club Ginger Ale tells your parched throat that you are going to drink the whole bottleful. The best antidote to thirst is to keep a case on hand and a few bottles on the ice.

Clicquot Club GINGER ALE

THE CLICQUOT CLUB COMPANY, Millis, Mass., U. S. A.

MAINE MAY ACCEPT

\$2,400,000 U. S. Aid, Raised Like Sum and Spend All On Roads

Maine has 25,330 miles of road. The legislature in 1917 passed a law providing for more liberal payment of State aid to the poorer towns. Under this law there were built 850 miles of State-aid roads, at a cost of about \$2,650,000.

Since 1913, the year of its creation, the State Highway Commission has laid out a system of State highways consisting of between 1350 and 1400 miles of road, or 5 1/2 per cent of the population of the State and 7 1/2 per cent of the valuation.

During the last six years 300 miles of State highway have been rebuilt at a cost of approximately \$3,000,000. There is also found on the system of State highways about 300 miles of road which has been rebuilt as State aid road, so that today approximately one-half of the system of State highways is improved road.

During the last six years there has been built as State aid road 796 miles, at a cost of \$9,250,000. This, added to the built between 1908 and 1913, shows a little over 1600 miles of complete State-aid road, built at a gross expenditure of over \$6,000,000. The system of State aid roads as laid out, and up on which the commission is working, consists of 3000 miles. These are fed into the State highway system and will directly accommodate 15 to 20 per cent of the population.

From the Federal aid appropriations Maine is entitled to \$2,618,196.53 and it has only applied for \$230,161.92. This leaves practically \$2,400,000 of Federal aid in road building which the State can have between now and July 1, 1920, provided it is in position to match this money with State funds.

The bond issue authorized by the last legislature and to be voted upon on the second Monday of September, offers the only opportunity for accepting the Federal Government's offer of aid. Appropriations of Federal aid stand for 12 months and if not taken by the State to which the appropriation is originally made, the money is reappropriated to other States. Consequently, between now and July 1, 1920, Maine must be prepared to file applications against all of this money, except about \$962,000, and it will have an additional 12 months on the appropriations made on July 1, 1920.

MIDDLE INTERVALE ROAD

Mrs. Mollie Stanley is opening a camp of work in Portland with the State.

Mrs. L. F. Heston, Mrs. Frank Heston and Mrs. Beane Foster are spending a few days at Bailey cottage. Mrs. Mary J. Capen spent the week end at her old home and after spending several days with her daughter, Alice, at Shelburne, N. H., the summer home of Prof. Chapman.

Mr. and Mrs. Ralph Hall and his wife returned to their home in Bethel, Me., Monday, by auto. Mrs. Ellen Kimball returned from Oxford, Me. Mrs. Therrie Rogers from Westbrook, Me., spent the week end with her mother, Mrs. J. P. Rogers, and spent the week end with her mother, Mrs. W. H. Baker, and family, at the village.

CANTON

Mrs. Thompson A. Potter and Mrs. Ernest Getchell of Woodfords have been guests of Mrs. Potter's parents, Mr. and Mrs. Mellen B. Packard, and family.

Among those who attended Pomona Grange at Andover, Wednesday, from Canton were: Mr. and Mrs. John Briggs, Miss Agnes Heald, A. F. Russell, the Misses Arlene, Iva and Ethel Russell, Mrs. Helen A. Eastman and Mr. and Mrs. Leon M. Berry.

Mr. and Mrs. William A. Luens have been visiting for several days with their daughter, Mrs. Arthur L. Newman, and family of Auburn.

Mrs. Hattie Russell of Swampscott and Lynn, Mass., is a guest of her sister, Mrs. Alphonso W. Ellis, and family.

Albert H. Adams and family attended the 33rd annual reunion of the Adams family at East Wilton last week. Sherman Dillon has been spending a few days at his home in Canton.

The corn factory starts up this week, and W. S. Ingersoll, the superintendent, reports that corn is looking finely and a good pack is assured.

Fred Lowell, who has been employed at Farmington, has returned home and opened a barber shop in the annex of the Fletcher block.

Mrs. O. M. Richardson is recovering from an illness of a few days.

The Universalist Circle held an all day session, Thursday, at the pleasant home of Mrs. Annie L. Campbell. A picnic dinner was enjoyed and a good time reported by the large number who attended.

Miss Elva Fuller has returned from a six weeks course of study at the summer school at Castine.

Charles Small has secured employment in Portland and will soon go for the winter. His family will remain at the Point.

Mrs. Samuel T. Hayden is entertaining her sister from Quincy, Mass.

Barton Howes is assisting at Pine wood Camp.

Miss Dorothy Shorey is ill.

Rev. N. G. French of Auburn preached at the M. E. church, Hartford, Sunday, on "The Sea of Galilee." A beautiful solo, "Blue Galilee," was sung by Milton L. Luce.

The recent ball game at Livermore Falls between the nine at that place and the Cantons resulted in a victory for the Livermores, score 5 to 1.

Miss Nellie Reed submitted to an operation at her home, Wednesday, when Dr. F. W. Morse, assisted by Miss Clara Harrows, took a large amount of fluid from the pleuritic tube of her lungs. She is doing nicely at this time.

Rev. Milo E. Pearson of Massachusetts, who is a guest at Pine wood Camp, went to Auburn, Sunday, where he supplied the pulpit of the High Street Congregational church. Mr. Pearson is pastor elect of this church.

Harold Bradford of Livermore Falls has been a guest at the home of Mr. and Mrs. G. A. Hines.

Mr. and Mrs. Ervin York of South Paris have been guests of his brother, Arthur P. York, and wife, and other relatives.

The Ladies' Aid will hold a sale of new articles, aprons, confectionery, etc., at the near future. Miss Alice Walker of Woolwich is a guest of the grandmother, Mrs. Mary E. French, and aunt, Mrs. Jennie P. Helle.

Mrs. Laura Osborn has returned to her home in Sanford.

Mr. and Mrs. Emory Parsons and William F. Mitchell have been entertaining the Rev. Mr. Haverhill, Mass.

Edward F. Bryant and family are at the Advent Camp meeting at Mt. Kearsarge.

Aunt Bridge of Mechanic Falls was in town last week to attend the funeral of his sister in law, Miss Ethel H. Heston.

BIRD'S EYE MAPLE

"What makes the bird's eye maple? That is a question which is often asked when a beautiful piece of furniture made of the wood is displayed. There is a number of theories, but the real reason is simple," says the New York Times.

"The favorite theory has been that apertures, by pecking holes through the bark of young maples, make scars which produce the bird's eye figure in the wood during successive years. Bird pecked holes were often cited as an explanation, yet who ever saw bird's eye figure in hickory, though the bark may have been perforated like a colander by the bills of energetic sap-suckers? The effect in the case of hickory is the opposite of bird's eye in maple; the wood is discolored and unsightly. Some attribute it to the action of frost, but each connection between cause and effect has been shown to exist.

"The explanation of the phenomenon is simple, and a person with a good magnifying glass can work it out for him self. The bird's eye figure is produced by the scars of abnormal buds which have their origin under the bark of the trunk. The first buds of that kind may develop when the tree is quite small. They are bud dies, another will likely also near the base of the trunk. They are produced by the action of frost, but they drive the fantastic growth known as 'bird's eye' into the trunk of the tree."

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Summer Dresses

COLORED VOILES, attractive styles, dark, medium and light, only 12 dresses left.

Were \$9.95, Clearance Price \$5.90

VOILE PORCH DRESSES.

Were \$4.95, Clearance Price \$2.90

DOTTED MUSLIN DRESSES, white.

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Fibre silk slip-on, long sleeves, wide collar.

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Messrs. E. A. Herrick, W. W. Hastings and Jos. S. Rich attended Sherbrooke Fair, Wednesday.

Hugh and Wendell Clark of Lisbon, Me., were guests of their grandmother, Mrs. A. M. Clark, Friday.

Dr. and Mrs. R. B. Tibbitts are receiving congratulations on the birth of a daughter, born August 25.

Mr. William Lowe and daughter, Clara White, with her two children spent Sunday at Fowley Lowe's at No. Bethel.

Mr. John W. Gould and Dr. H. E. Twitchell of Portland were week end guests of Mr. and Mrs. H. N. Upton.

Dr. E. L. Brown and wife returned home from Magalloway region, Monday, where they have been enjoying a week's fishing trip.

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Mr. and Mrs. Daniel Spencin were up from So. Paris for the week end.

Mr. Frank Coffin of East Weymouth, Mass., was calling upon Bethel friends, Monday.

Mr. and Mrs. George Davis of Milton were calling on relatives in town, Saturday.

Mr. and Mrs. A. G. Roberts of Hallowell were guests of Mr. and Mrs. D. S. Hastings, Saturday.

Mr. Marlan Wheeler was in Norway last week to attend the Reunion of the 23rd Maine Regiment.

Mrs. Agnes Ames and daughter, Grace, are spending a few weeks at their old home in Bethel.

Mr. and Mrs. Wesley Woodbury of Pottsville, Pa., are visiting Mr. Woodbury's sisters for a few days.

Mr. Guy Barker, who has been visiting his mother, Mrs. Lydia Barker, returned to Manchester, Saturday.

Mr. and Mrs. George Robertson and daughter of South Paris were guests of Mr. and Mrs. C. K. Fox last week.

The ball game last Wednesday between Gorham and Bethel resulted in a victory for Bethel by a score of 5 to 3.

Mr. Richmond Skinner, who has been visiting his grandparents, Mr. and Mrs. D. S. Hastings, returned to Alton Bay, Sunday.

Miss Marion Frost returned home from Castine, Monday, where she has been attending a special course for teachers.

Mr. and Mrs. W. M. Copeland and Dr. P. H. Copeland of Boston are spending a few days with Mr. and Mrs. A. E. Copeland.

Mr. and Mrs. McIntire and daughter from Milan, N. H., were guests of Mr. F. L. Edwards and family a few days last week.

Mr. and Mrs. Winfield Newell and son, Kenneth, of Salmon Falls passed through Bethel, Monday, and called upon friends.

Mrs. C. F. York and daughter, Helen, who have been guests of Dr. and Mrs. F. B. Tuck, have returned to their home in Augusta.

Mrs. W. D. Williamson and Miss York have returned to Portland after spending a few days as guests of Miss Alice Willis.

Mr. and Mrs. Ziba Duckes returned home, Monday, from a month's vacation and have resumed their duties at Dr. J. G. Gehring's.

Mrs. Addie Wentworth was in Bethel calling upon her patrons in the interest of the Haeles and Lawrence Hosiery Companies.

Miss Mabel Kelley and friend, Miss Lynch of Winchester, Mass., are guests of Miss Kelley's sister, Mrs. Herman Robertson, and family.

Mrs. Brooks and two children of Edrol, N. H., and Mrs. Coolidge and five children of Gorham, N. H., were guests of relatives in town last week.

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Among those who attended camp meeting at Poland camp grounds last week were Mr. and Mrs. Davis Lovejoy, Mr. and Mrs. Scott Robertson, Mrs. Frank Read, Mr. and Mrs. Fred Clark, Mr. and Mrs. Wheeler and family, Mr. N. H. Sprague and family, Mr. and Mrs. F. J. Tibbitts, Mrs. R. E. L. Farwell, Mrs. Leona Merrill and Mr. and Mrs. Perry Leppan and daughter.

Mr. and Mrs. George Hall, Mrs. Jennings, Mrs. Frank Cummings and Mrs. Ida Cummings of Lewiston were guests of Mr. and Mrs. C. W. Hall, Sunday.

These who are waiting for the Navy League are requested to finish the article they have commenced and bring them in as no more yarn will be given out at present.

Mr. George Herbert and friend, Mr. Joan of Haverhill, Mass., motored from the White Mountains, Tuesday, to visit Mr. Herbert's uncle, William Lawrence, for a few days.

Miss Grace Farwell and Mrs

RUMFORD

Miss Lola Kilgore, a clerk at the freight office of the M. C. R. R. is spending a two weeks' vacation with friends in Newport, R. I.

Mr. and Mrs. Sidney J. Vaughan and daughter of Hillside avenue, Virginia District, are on a visit to relatives in Frederickton, N. B.

Elliot W. Howe is enjoying a two weeks vacation from his duties at the office of the Oxford mill time office, a part of which time he has enjoyed with Mrs. Howe on an automobile trip about the country, in his new Buick car. Bennett D. Charron is substituting for Mr. Howe during his absence.

Mr. and Mrs. Elsie Pratt of Franklin street are spending two weeks at Bailey's Island.

Mrs. William Boissonnault with her daughter, Rose, and son, Willie, left this week for a vacation to be spent at St. Anne de Beaupre, P. Q.

Miss Lena Albert of Front street has left for a visit at St. Anne de Beaupre, P. Q.

Mrs. Charles Messel is enjoying a vacation from his duties at the Continental paper bag mill.

Mrs. George Hemmings and Miss Campen are making a visit in New York, and will later visit friends at the Rambley Lakes.

The International Paper Company has a new Nash motor truck to transport freight to and from the railroad station.

Phillips Booth, who has been spending the summer with his mother in Providence, is now spending two weeks with his father, the Congress street photographer.

Frank Riley has bought out a part interest in the Fernald Drug Store, and will take possession the first of September.

Miss Josephine Powers has resigned her position as a teacher in the Chisholm school and will accept a more lucrative position in Massachusetts.

Henri Brosseau, the Waldo street druggist, is in rather poor health, and is not able to be at his store.

Mr. and Mrs. Ben Schwind and two sons, Philip and Wilmont, are spending two weeks at Falmouth Forester, having hired the Randall cottage at that place.

Mrs. Susie Staples of West Peru is in Rumford working in the Continental paper bag mill.

Carl Andrews has arrived home after a year and a half service with the American Army of Occupation in Germany.

John Kersey severed his position with the E. K. Day Co. store last Saturday night. Mr. Kersey has been advertising manager and floor walker for the company for the past year.

Dr. Harold Stanwood's maternity hospital on Franklin street will open about Sept. 1.

Mrs. Geneva Jopson and little daughter, Louise, are visiting relatives at Berry's Mills.

William Rideout is visiting at his old home in New Brunswick, his last visit there being made twenty-five years ago.

Mr. and Mrs. Alva Beauchamp are receiving congratulations upon the birth of a son.

Miss Ruth Hinds, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. A. F. Hinds of Stratglass Park, is the guest of her grandparents, Mr. and Mrs. Ralph Hinds, of Livermore Falls.

Mrs. Edith Lee Neal recently presented a gift of books to the Public Library including four beautifully bound volumes of character sketches, romance, action and drama, famous names of historical works, and a gallery of famous poets.

Mrs. Neal, who has resided in Rumford for many years, will be greatly missed, and her many friends wish her success in her new work in Lexington, Mass., where she has accepted a position as school principal, which position she assumes Sept. 1.

Miss Katherine Hinch, who recently resigned her position as clerk in the Rumford National Bank where she has been employed for the past year, has returned with her mother to her former home in Sunbury, Pennsylvania.

Mr. and Mrs. W. C. Wheeler, who resided in Rumford for nearly two years, left on Saturday last for Mr.

WORDS FROM HOME

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When a Bethel citizen comes to the front, telling his friends and neighbors of his experience, you can rely on his sincerity. The statements of people residing in far away places do not command your confidence. Home endorsement is the kind that backs Doan's Kidney Pills. Such testimony is convincing. Investigation proves it true. Below is a statement of a Bethel resident. No stronger proof of merit can be had.

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Wheeler's former home in New York State, where he will have a rest of several months, on account of poor health. During Mr. Wheeler's stay in town he has been a chemist for the Rumford Tails Power Company.

Max Lofchie is entertaining three young men from New York City at his home on Virginia street, Virginia District.

Mr. and Mrs. Robert Wyman of Portsmouth, N. H., are enjoying a vacation in town, the guests of Mr. and Mrs. Albert Wyman and Mrs. F. P. Bartlett.

Spaulding Bisbee has purchased a lot of land on Plymouth avenue, just above the Ostrum residence, and expects to erect a residence thereon before long.

Mr. and Mrs. Harry Kilbourne have taken the apartment in the J. W. Simpson house lately vacated by Mr. and Mrs. W. C. Wheeler.

Mr. John P. MacGregor of Murray, N. S., arrived in town this week to accompany his wife and children back on the journey to their new home in Murray.

Mr. and Mrs. Colin Mann and two children, William and Colinne, formerly of Rumford, but now of Bath, are spending the month of August in camp at Worthy Pond.

Mr. Harold Goddard of Melrose has joined his wife and son at the home of Mrs. Goddard's parents, Mr. and Mrs. Fred H. Atwood, of Prospect avenue, Virginia District, and is enjoying a vacation with the family.

Dr. William T. Rowe of York street with his family is enjoying an outing at a resort on Casco Bay.

The Redpath Chautauque entertainments opened on Wednesday afternoon of this week, with the William's Jubilee Singers, eight colored musical artists, and a lecture by A. Eugene Bartlett, pastor of All Souls' Church, Brooklyn, N. Y. Both were highly enjoyed by a large audience.

In the evening the Williams' Jubilee Singers gave a concert, which surely bore out the fine reputation which had preceded them. On Thursday Bhaskar P. Hivala, a native of India, will lecture on "What About India and the World Events," in the morning, while in the afternoon Elsie Baker, contralto, assisted by William Durieux, cellist soloist, and Miss Blanche Barlow, a brilliant pianist will entertain their audience by a concert.

In the evening Captain Paul Perigord of the French Army will speak on "The Frontier of Freedom."

A meeting was held in Municipal Hall on Tuesday noon, with representatives from the various towns of Oxford County, to talk over the advisability and raising of money for the betterment and improvement of the roads about this section of the county.

A very pretty wedding took place at the home of Mr. and Mrs. P. C. Bennett, Wednesday, Aug. 20, when their daughter, Nora, was united in marriage with Frank Thomsen of Rumford, Me. Rev. L. J. Atkins, who is supplying the church here officiated at the ceremony. The double ring service being used.

Only the immediate family and near relatives were present at the ceremony, with the exception of Mrs. L. E. Wright, who played the wedding march. The bride's oldest brother, Harold, who was deceased, acted as best man, and Adeline as bridesmaid. Shortly after the ceremony a wedding lunch was served, after which the couple left by auto amid a shower of rice and confetti. Their many friends wish them long years of happiness.

Miss Helen Wheeler, Henrietta Littlefield and Alice Wheeler are visiting at W. H. Wright's.

Miss Feryl Brink has completed her work as waitress at Poplar Tavern. Val's Harcourt has gone to Upton to work for Mrs. C. A. Jenkins.

About eighty were present at the

RICHARDSON HOLLOW GREENWOOD

Mr. Lendall Yates and family of West Paris and Mr. Lewis were in town, recently. Messrs. Yates and Lewis were buying cattle. A. A. Noyes sold two cows and four calves, W. E. Penley one cow and R. E. Chapman one calf and two lambs.

Mr. and Mrs. W. E. Penley and two sons went Friday to their camp at Upton, returning home, Sunday.

There was a family reunion at G. W. Richardson's, Sunday. Those present were as follows: Mr. Lester L. Stevens and family, Mr. Ernest L. Packard and wife, Mr. Harold E. Stevens and wife, all of Auburn Me.; Mr. Chas. Richardson and family, Mr. Theodore Frost and family, Mr. Ralph Richardson and family, all of Norway; Mr. Clarence Richardson and family of Stearns Hill, Paris; Mrs. Rose Needham of Portland; G. W. Richardson and family and Oscar Doughty.

Mr. and Mrs. R. E. Chapman and son were in Newry, Monday, to attend the reunion of the Littlehale family.

Philip Maxfield of Greenwood City was a week end guest of Gerald Cole. Gerald Cole boarded with R. E. Chapman while Mr. W. E. Penley and family were away.

Cora Noyes recently sold part of her chickens to L. B. Yates of West Paris.

NORTH HARTFORD

Bena and Edith Farrington, who have visited with their grandmother, Mrs. Anson Cash, for a few weeks past, went to West Paris to visit their aunt, Mrs. Kate Whitman. Wallie Gammon carried them with his auto. Fred Cash also went with them.

Rev. and Mrs. Corliss and daughter visited at A. C. Corliss', recently. Winetta Burnell visited her grandmother at Fry's last week.

Lydia Corliss visited Fred Keene in Auburn from Saturday until Monday. Mabel Dillingham is working for Mrs. Jennie Brown.

Lewis Childs sold a registered cow to Mr. G. H. Anderson of Monmouth. Stanley Porter of Boston visited Percy Davenport, Sunday.

J. H. Blanchard and daughter, Cora, of Auburn visited at Bert Ludden's, Saturday night and Sunday.

Mrs. Ernest Bragg and daughter, Alice, visited Mrs. Lottie Grant of Leeds one day last week.

Mr. and Mrs. Linwood Darrington went to Farmington, Wednesday, to see the horse races.

Mrs. Lillie Lewis and Mrs. Eben Avery are visiting their grandmother, Mrs. Oldham, at the home of A. J. Oldham.

Mr. Bert Ludden is very poorly at this writing.

Little Ethelyn Davenport, who has been seriously ill with pneumonia at the home of her aunt, Mrs. Kate Whitman, of West Paris, returned to her home the last of the week, much improved in health.

Mrs. Bacon of Pennsylvania, a guest at Pinewood, had the misfortune to slip on the boat landing and break her arm, Sunday night. Dr. Morse and Dr. Dicknell were called.

Pinewood Camp is being run at its full capacity, there being about sixty guests at the present time.

Clara and Annie Barnes of Plymouth, Mass., and Beth Holmes are visiting at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Chas. Richardson.

Frank Richardson took a party down to August, Monday. They also went to Togus while there.

Clinton Blake and Chas. Anderson of Monmouth are stopping at the home of F. R. Hargrett.

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WEST PARIS

Arrangements are being made by West Paris Grange to hold a fair in September.

It is expected that work will begin at the corn shed Sept. 1.

Mrs. Roscoe Tuell came Friday for an indefinite stay at her home here.

Mrs. Sylvester Swan of Gray is visiting her sister, Mrs. Clara Ryder.

Mrs. Daniel C. Churchill had a very bad spell last week, but is improving.

Mrs. Ward and Mrs. Chapman and daughter of Lowell, Mass., are visiting relatives at W. H. Emery's.

Rev. G. H. Hamlin, Baptist State Secretary of Lewiston, supplied the pulpit at the Baptist church last Sunday.

Miss Frances Taylor has been spending several days with the family of Verbal Bates at their camp at Little Pond.

Alice Harden, Myrtle Robinson, Leona Marston, Beatrice Smith, and the family of H. H. Wardwell have returned from Ferry Beach.

Mrs. Harry Patch and daughter, Mary, spent a few days last week with her brother, J. H. Millett, at Millerville.

Mrs. Clara Ryder and brother, Warren Brooks, are soon to move to Haverhill, N. H.

Dr. and Mrs. Wheeler recently spent a day or two in Bath, Mrs. Wheeler's native home. Miss Elizabeth Hyde returned home with them and remained for a visit.

Penley & Bidden are now occupying the room in the Dunham building recently vacated by Mrs. F. E. Farnum, for an office.

Dr. and Mrs. Wheeler went to Lewiston, Thursday. The doctor accompanied Mrs. Watson to the hospital for an X-ray examination of the wrist which she had the misfortune to fracture last by a few weeks ago. The wrist was found in perfect condition.

Mr. and Mrs. Edwin Mann entertained a house party at "Idylwild," Lecky's Mills, composed of Mr. and Mrs. Bert Day, E. P. McKeeney, Miss Mabel Bicker, Mr. and Mrs. Charles Bates and her sister, Miss Campbell, and nephew Thomas Keller of New Haven, Conn.

Mrs. M. D. Tuell, Ivan Tuell, Jack Toell of Greenwood, Mass., and E. B. Ball left of Bryant's Pond.

J. W. Nash and Mr. Hiram of Norway were on Carleton Mountain, Sunday, when Mr. Nash suffered a shock. Dr. Tabbetta of Bethel village was called as quickly as possible and Mr. Nash was brought from the mountain Monday in an unconscious state.

Harry Head, who was recently burned when he got to trading in the so-called Haskell store.

ANDOVER

Fred Thomas and family from Rumford spent last week in camp at U Pond. The Bryant's Pond nine played a game of base ball, Saturday afternoon with the Andover team, beating them by a score of 9 to 2.

A number of people from town attended the reunion of the Littlehale family at North Newry, Monday.

Cedric Thurston and wife and Mrs. Marjorie Hanson and daughter spent a few days last week at Askeos Lake, the guests of their uncle, P. P. Eliat.

Mrs. Lodie Hamilton and two children from Lewiston are visiting her brother, E. W. Abbott, and family.

John Howey, who has been at his home the past week, returned Sunday to his work at Askeos Lake.

Mr. and Mrs. Clarence Hall and children were guests Sunday of Winthrop Akers and wife.

Supr. of Schools, J. J. Howard of Mexico was in town, Monday.

The schools in town will open Monday, Sept. 8.

Mrs. William Learned had the misfortune to fall and break the bones in her leg, Saturday, while attempting to cross the brook near her home. Drs. Harold Stanwood and Cole set the limb and she was carried to the home of her son, Guy Learned, at the village where she is as comfortable as can be expected.

N. D. Akers and daughters of Rumford visited at his parents, J. E. Akers' and family over Sunday.

Mrs. Ethel Porter and daughters, Beatrice and Mrs. Arthur Bucknam, and Mrs. Addie Colby were guests at the home of P. P. Thomas a few days last week.

Calot Lodge, K. of P., worked the second degree on candidates, Friday evening. Oxford Dear Lodge and Metal Lodge were invited guests.

Mrs. Lizzie Farwell of Cambridge, Mass., and her daughter, Ada, of Auburn, Indiana, are the guests of Mrs. A. M. and Miss Grace Farwell.

Miss Ethel Allen returned to her work in Cambridge, Mass., Saturday. Stanley and Robert Wheeler of So. Paris were here Tuesday to put in a piano for Mildred McKen.

Mrs. W. W. Goodbridge spent a few days with her sister, Mrs. Sadie Vashaw, quite recently.

Mr. and Mrs. Harry Duval and son of Boston are the guests of Mr. and Mrs. Stephen Westleigh and other relatives.

There was a mistake in the name of the man who is driving a well for J. Hall.

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Marion Parker of Portland are the guests of Mr. and Mrs. Ervin Hulehale.

Prof. and Mrs. E. S. Bryant and their two daughters, Ruth and Mabel, of Everett, Mass., who are making a tour of Maine, passed through this place Monday enroute for the mountains. They camped over Sunday in the Grove Birchess. This wonderful car was seen by a number of sightseers Sunday and Monday.

Mr. and Mrs. Irving Kimball have returned from Kingsfield. Miss Billa Bartlett of Litchfield, Me., is spending her usual vacation with her sister, Mrs. Lucetta Bean.

Miss Hazel Sanborn is this week's guest of her grandparents, Mr. and Mrs. C. M. Kimball.

Mr. and Mrs. Ceylon Kimball and little son and Mr. Irving Kimball motored to Lewiston and Lisbon, Monday, the guests of Mr. and Mrs. R. C. Clark, Hugh and Wendell Clark returning home with them.

Mr. Chas. Rick of Vermont, Mrs. Jessie Sloan of Bethel, Mr. and Mrs. Kingsley and two children of Greenville, New York, were last week's guests entertained by Mr. and Mrs. J. L. Holt, also Stanley and Preston Howe of Cambridge, Mass., who are on a sister tour through the States of Maine and New Hampshire.

A social dance will be held at Grange Hall, Sept. 1.

orchestra will be in attendance. Come and enjoy good music and dancing. Ice cream will be served.

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POEMS WORTH READING

THE LIGHT

Let the light be with you
And you'll know where to go,
Whether up the hillside
Or the valley down below;
Whether widely winging
To the hopes that burn on high,
Or to the quietude of night,
Of the sweet blue sky.

Let the light be with you
And you'll know the way to swing
Along the road to beauty
With a heart that wants to sing;
Whether it's the morning
Or the deep, dark night,
There is always love's adorning
When your heart has the light.

THE OLD PALM-TUNE

By Mrs. Harriet Beecher Stowe
You asked, dear friend, the other day,
Why still my charmed ear
Rejoice in unremembered tone
That old palm-tune to heart

I've heard full oft, in foreign lands,
The grand orchestral strain,
Where music's ancient masters live,
Revealed on earth again—

Where breathing, solemn instruments,
In swaying clouds of sound,
Bore up the yearning, tranced soul,
Like silver wings around

But yet, dear friend, though rudely
And that old palm-tune hath still
A pulse of power beyond them all
My inmost soul to thrill.

These halting tones that seem to you
Are not the tones I hear,
But voices of the loved and lost
Three meet my longing ear.

I hear my angel mother's voice—
Those were the words she sang;
I hear my brother's singing tones,
As once on earth they rang.

And friends that walk in white above
Come round me like a cloud,
And far above them earthly notes
Their singing sounds aloud.

There may be discord, as you say;
These voices poorly ring,
But there's no discord in the strain
These upper spirits sing.

For they who sing are of the blest,
The calm and glorified,
Whose hours are one eternal rest
On heaven's sweet floating tide.

Their life is music and accord;
Their souls and hearts keep time
In one sweet concert with the Lord
In concert, vast, sublime.

Oh, sing, sing on, beloved souls!
Flung cares and griefs to rest;
They tell restrained we arise
To join you 'neath the blest.

THE INQUIRY

Tell me, ye winged souls that 'round
My pathway roam,
Do ye not know some spot where more
Safe sleep is won?
Do ye not know some spot where more
Sweet peace is found?
Do ye not know some spot where more
Sweet peace is found?

Tell me, then, ye winged souls, where
I may find rest,
Where weary man may find the bliss
Of which he needs the best.

Where sorrow never finds and forced
Sleep never comes,
The land where, sleeping in perpetual
Peace, we dwell.

And ye, ye winged souls, that with such
Sweet voices come,
Do ye not know some spot where more
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Where grief may find a balm and weariness a rest?
Faith, Hope and Love, best loons to mortals given,
Waved their bright wings and whispered—"Yes, in Heaven."

ALL OF US

By Folger M'Kissey
We sit in a little mist of days,
'Neath the gloom of a cloudy-sky,
And some one whispers and some one prays
For the shadows to flutter by.
And we toil and mend and play our part,
And worry and fret and moan—
And that's because in the human heart
We think too much of our own.

We think too much of our own content,
Of the kind of pleasure that suits;
Of the kind of weather that's over us bent,
And our share of life's fruits;
Of our aches and pains and grief and gloom,
Our comfort and fame and pride—
And the I and the You and the great big ME

Are the stakes to which we're tied,
If we were broader, as fellow men,
We'd smile and we'd sing together,
Comrades of life in the world again
In every condition of weather.
And instead of a little mist of days
This earth would swim with shining,
And lift its voice in a shout of praise
Instead of a wail and whining.

YOUR TOWN

By Helen Perkins
Real towns are not made by men afraid
Lest someone else gets ahead;
When everyone works and nobody shirks
You can raise a town from the dead.

And if while you make your personal stake
Your neighbor makes one, too,
Your town will be what you want it to be.
It isn't your town, it's *your*!

If you want to live in the kind of a town
Like the kind of a town you like,
You needn't slip your clothes in a grip
And start on a long, long hike.

You will only find what you left behind,
For there's nothing that's really new;
It's a knock at yourself when you knock your town—
It isn't your town, it's *your*!

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SOUTH PARIS

Mrs. Leslie L. Mason entertained three tables at auction bridge at her home on Pleasant street, Thursday afternoon from 3 to 5 o'clock in honor of her guest, Miss Charlotte Thayer. Those in the party were: Mrs. Delbert Stewart, Mrs. Frank Goldsmith, Mrs. Walter L. Gray, Mrs. Fred Wright, Mrs. Alton Wheeler, Mrs. Howard Carter, Mrs. Albert Park, Mrs. Archie Cole, Mrs. Clayton Brooks of Cambridge, Mass., Mrs. Blat F. Bradbury of Norway and the hostess and guest.

Hon. Alton C. Wheeler has been elected chairman of the State Board of Arbitration and Conciliation. The other members are E. C. Carter of Westbrook, Secretary and John Houston of Guilford.

The engagement of Miss Marguerite Elder and Fred Moran of Malden, Mass., has been announced.

The firm of Ripley and Fletcher who run a large garage in South Paris near the Grand Trunk station have recently purchased the Central Garage at Bridgton.

Miss Nellie Ellingwood of Mechanic Falls is spending a few days as the guest of Mrs. Clara Howard.

Mr. and Mrs. Elijah Mason of Brockton, Mass., are guests for a few days of Mr. and Mrs. Wallace Strickland. Mrs. Mason before marriage was Miss Blanche Canwell of Paris.

Harry Adams was in Portland, Thursday, to receive medical treatment of Dr. Cousins.

Mr. and Mrs. James Iswell and little daughter were in Portland for the day, Thursday.

Mr. and Mrs. Cuvier Colby and family of Methuen, Mass., are guests of Mr. Colby's brother, Scott Colby, and family.

Fred Wright, Pearl Ripley and Ralph Perkins motivated to Bridgton, Thursday, to attend the horse races at Bridgton Fair.

Willie Edwards has been spending several days repairing at his camp on Pleasant Lake, Otisfield. Mrs. Edwards went Wednesday to spend a few days at the camp.

Mr. and Mrs. Merton Titus and daughter of Portland are guests of Mr. and Mrs. John Titus of Pine street.

Mrs. Earl Harlow of Worcester, Mass., is visiting in the family of Nellie Edwards.

Miss Phyllis Edwards, who has been in Worcester for several weeks, returned to her home here with Mrs. Harlow, Thursday.

Mr. and Mrs. Carroll Edwards and family and Mrs. Harlow attended Bridgton Fair.

Mr. and Mrs. Fred W. North and Mr. and Mrs. P. E. North and little daughter are on an automobile trip to Rockland, where they will visit relatives for a few days.

Mr. and Mrs. Edward March recently entertained Mrs. Linwood Bailey and Elmer Swift of Lincoln, Mass., and Arthur and Thelma of Lynn, Mass., for a few days.

Lafayette How is spending a short time with his people, Mr. and Mrs. Frank How.

Mr. and Mrs. Minot Whittle are visiting relatives in Watkinson, Mass., where they will visit their son and wife, Mr. and Mrs. Robert Whittle, of Portland.

Miss Elizabeth Mares is visiting Mrs. Mary Stevens in Portland.

Thomas B. Harlow has purchased the Frank A. Taylor house on High street, where he has lived for a number of years.

J. Gould Bradford of Hallowell, V. I., formerly of South Paris, is spending a few days with his father, F. I. Bradford.

Mrs. Bradford left last week with her son but was taken ill and had to remain at Watkinson, Mass., with her sister.

Mr. Frank How and J. Howings have been visiting in Watkinson, Mass., since their return from a vacation in Norway for an examination of Mr. How's leg.

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CIGARETTES

POTATO FERTILIZER TROUBLE IN MAINE IN 1919

Not Associated with Disease

The Maine Agricultural Experiment Station is receiving numerous inquiries relative to the potato troubles in Eastern Maine. There seems to be a more or less generally spread notion outside of the State that the fertilizer trouble is associated with disease. The following brief outline of the trouble from a letter written to the manager of the largest agricultural paper published in New England is given for the double purpose of correcting the idea of disease and of describing the injury now being suffered by the potato crop.

The worst cases show a very uneven stand, with many partial or total failures to germinate. The plants which did come were weak and decidedly undersized. About July 20, when adjoining healthy fields showed even stands which were severely injured had many plants 2 to 3 inches high and weak and spindling. Various gradations in size could be found up to those which were nearly normal. These weak plants of this time and rather in the same amount considerable yellowing of the leaves particularly at the margin, some of the middle veins being a pale "yellow edge" as one man expressed it. Where severely affected plants occurred the fertilizer would be found in practice only at the base, in fairly close contact with the soil piece or stem. Stem injury which consisted of a characteristic brownish, was much more common where the plants had distributed the fertilizer below the soil. The roots of the entire mass of the stem showed varying amounts of injury, often being entirely "burned" off. Frequently the entire plant itself was "burned" off. Sometimes this would have an uneven partial effect from which some plants would come. In some instances it would seem as if the potato had made little or no attempt to germinate. These weak plants or injured plants or even the soil piece remained firm and sound, as though protected from rot by some fungi and bacteria. After the rains came to deluge the plants which were injured to show considerable improvement in size and appearance. This was very evident from examining some of the same fields the third week in July and again the first week in August. On the date of the last examination it was observed that the plants were putting out new roots, peering the surface of the soil and replacing those that had been destroyed near the base of the stem. These new roots were apparently able to obtain sufficient food and moisture near the surface of the soil between the dates mentioned, to produce fairly marked growth increases in the case of many of the affected plants. The growth apparently is coming now late to materially affect the probable yield.

There appears to be no evidence whatever of a parasite disease connected with the trouble. As far as can be ascertained from a study of fields thus in the field, and the soil conditions

vineing, it is associated with the brand of fertilizer used and apparently with the brand of potato used in this fertilizer. This was outlined in this series of letters a fortnight ago.

We do not regard the two specific diseases, Phoma Stem Blight and Fusarium Wilt, as in any way connected with the present trouble. From our observations in Maine we can come to no other conclusion than that the importance of the so-called Phoma Stem Blight, has been greatly exaggerated.

We frequently find this fungus growing upon potato stems which are dead or dying from some other cause. Some 2 or 3 years ago when we first began to have plants beginning to die during July and August, on certain types of soils where fertilizers containing no potash were used, this phoma was later found quite constantly associated with the dead stems. The fungus was isolated and it failed to cause disease when inoculated into healthy plants. Here we have come to look upon it solely as a secondary organism, incapable of attacking healthy plants, and occurring with considerable frequency on plants that have gone down with potash hunger.

The present trouble attributable to fertilizer in no way resembles potash hunger of potatoes.

The Fusarium Wilt which is a real problem for potato growers in most other parts of the country, may or may not occur in Maine. If it does occur it is probably confined to the more southern portion of the State. The pathologist of the Maine Station have never found a case of what is known as the Fusarium Wilt in a Maine potato field. We do have a potato wilt, however, this is known as the Verticillium wilt, is not common, as a rule, but seems to be more prevalent this season than for some seasons past. As far as the writer knows it has not been seen on a field showing the type of fertilizer now being discussed, so it is not a complicating factor. The only explanation that we can offer for the above is of the Fusarium Wilt in our fields in that possibly our seasons are too cool for germination of spores.

Twenty charters for new national banks were issued during the month of July and 54 national banks were granted permission to increase their capital. The aggregate increase in national bank capital was over \$12,000,000. The aggregate capital of the newly chartered banks amounted to \$78,000,000. These conditions over the country indicate a flourishing market and a rather general readiness for expansion of money.

Where the grade of a road is steep, the ordinary earth ditches cannot be maintained satisfactorily at a reasonable cost, or earth side ditches would be liable to appear unsightly. It is customary to provide paved gutters for removing surplus water.

Drop inlets and catch basins used to conduct water from side streets or gutters into underground drains or culverts. On country roads the need most frequently on side hills where the water collecting in upper side ditch or gutter can be moved from the road at intervals of a curve across to the side. Drop inlets usually are efficient, and catch basins seldom are in country road work, except where it is especially desirable to prevent silt and other foreign material carried by the water from getting into underground drainage structure.

GOOD ROADS PREVENT FLOODS. National Forests Must Be Equipped With Highways, Trails and Lookout Stations.

National forests cannot be economically and efficiently protected against fire until they are well equipped with roads, trails, telephone lines, lookout stations, etc., the annual report of the chief forester of the United States Service.

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DRAINAGE FOR GOOD. Essential Feature of an Highway—Another Requirement of Firm Foundation.

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In the design of a road, the structures are planned to take of water under three general conditions: rain that falls on a road surface; rain that falls on a road and flows in accumulated toward the road; and ground water from an immediate source. These conditions are found in all structures, including long side ditches, usually parallel, gradually parallel to the center line, and in some cases, to the water whose approach so close roadway as the side ditches to cause injury; lateral ditches to conduct accumulated water from or under the land, and subdrains. In order to provide a system of drainage particular road, it is necessary



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An essential feature of an improved road is adequate drainage. Thorough drainage is so necessary that it is practically impossible to maintain a satisfactory road unless it be given proper attention. Another prime requirement wherever a hard surface road is to be constructed is a firm and unyielding foundation. As the quality of the soil has an important influence on the proper method of drainage and the type of foundation to be employed, much care and study must be devoted to the nature, type, and character of the soils in the section through which it is proposed to build a road.

The most important primary soils are classified as gravel, sand, and clay, but often many of the secondary or mixed soils, because of their more general occurrence in connection with road-building operations, are equally important. Such types as loam, mud, gumbo, and hardpan are representative of this order.

In the design of a road the drainage structures are planned to take care of water under three general conditions—rain that falls on a road surface or grade; rain that falls on contiguous land and flows in accumulated volume toward the road; and ground water from any immediate source. To meet these conditions use is found for special structures, including longitudinal side ditches, usually parallel, or approximately parallel to the center line; intercepting ditches to accommodate water whose approach so close to the roadway as the side ditches is likely to cause injury; lateral ditches or culverts to conduct accumulated water away from or under the road; and subdrains. In order to plan intelligently a system of drainage for any particular road, it is necessary to con-



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sider not only the local character of the soil composing the roadbed, but also the topography of the adjacent land, the amount and rate of rainfall and the availability of material suitable for use in constructing drains.

Surface drainage systems for roads consist of side ditches along the road, paved gutters (which are a development of side ditches and replace them) open intercepting ditches constructed to prevent water from reaching the road, and lateral or relief ditches to carry off the water which collects in the side ditches or in the intercepting ditches. Culverts and inclosed drains, which are constructed for the purpose of removing storm water from the side ditches or gutters, are essentially a part of the surface drainage system, and are not to be confused with subdrains which serve an entirely different purpose.

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BOY SCOUTS

BEARD TO BADEN-POWELL

In welcoming Maj. Gen. Sir Robert B. Baden-Powell, founder of the boy scouts in England, to this country, National Scout Commissioner Daniel Carter Beard said:

"It is my great privilege and pleasant duty to extend to our guests of honor—Sir Robert Baden-Powell and Lady Baden-Powell—a rousing welcome from the Boy Scouts of America, and to say to them that we, the boys of America, have a warm place in our hearts for our cousins across the pond and that we appreciate to the fullest extent the great work they have done for the cause of boyhood in the old world."

"The League of Nations, the kingdoms and empires, the democracies, revolutions and tumult of the old world are to be solved; problems which will be simplified in the next generation when the boy scout idea is a world power. Therefore, men like our distinguished guest, who are working with the boys and for the boys, are doing more for lasting peace and history than all the crowned heads and bomb-throwing radicals the old world can produce."

SEA SCOUTS GROWING FAST.

The sea scout branch of the Boy Scouts of America are following a modified plan for scouting along sea-manish lines. This program has been approved by eminent captains, admirals and chiefs of our merchant, naval and nautical fleets.

In the larger scout centers sea scouts are already numbered by hundreds. There is need of at least 100,000 sea scouts.

The sea scout branch provides work of a harder but quite as interesting character as main scouting.

Boys are built, drill masts rigged, laws of the sea studied and practiced by means of home-made models, until, when ready, the troop, or ship's company, takes to the actual water, and progresses from one stage of study to the next, ending up, after a year or so, as able sea scouts.

SCOUTING IN SCHOOL FAVOR.

The superintendent of the public schools at Athens O., Geoffrey F. Morgan, states that he considers it wise to release scouts from school in order that they may assist in important forms of civil service, such as the taking of a food census, a clean-up campaign and similar public welfare events.

Both high school and grade school teachers in Athens are represented on the court of honor of the local council of the Boy Scouts of America. Specific subjects in the merit badge work of scouts who aspire to become Eagle scouts are assigned to different teachers who, for the most part, conduct the merit badge tests. The principal of the high school is chairman of the Court of Honor.

"The scout movement here," Mr. Morgan says, "has the hearty support and approval of the school people."

BE A LEADER OF SCOUTS.

A weekly meeting of young business men in Chicago was greatly impressed by an address on the proper training and guidance of the boy, by Chief Scout Executive James E. West of the Boy Scouts of America.

Among the most impressive statements the chief scout executive presented were the facts that the future of the nation lies in the boy, that the scouting program develops responsibility, and that it is the boy's leisure time that must be utilized in the proper way. Therefore the man's duty to his country and to civilization is to become a leader of boys.

Mr. West discussed at length the accomplishments of the scouts both individually and as an organized unit.

GEN. HAIG PRAISES SCOUTS.

Sir Douglas Haig, commander of the British armies in France, said in a letter to Dr. Charles D. Hart, chairman of the Philadelphia Boy Scout council:

"I have heard with great interest and appreciation of the splendid work performed by the Philadelphia boy scouts all through the war."

"In assisting to raise the Liberty loan bonds, in governmental and civic war work they have toiled with enthusiasm."

"I feel certain they will set an example of patriotism and devotion to duty to future generations of American boys, and that the principles for which we have been victoriously fighting will be safe in their hands."

BOY SCOUT DOINGS.

A force of Reading (Pa.) scouts took in hand a fire that broke out on Mount Penn and saved trees they had been the custodians of for several years.

An aged lady, 81 and alone, was cared for by boy scouts of Troop No. 41 in Memphis, Tenn., who also prepared her meals, cleaned house, etc.

WILSON ANSWERS SENATE QUERIES

Says He Sees No Reasonable Objection to Reservations Concerning League

CONFER AT WHITE HOUSE

President Asserts United States Surrenders No Powers and May Withdraw at Will

Washington—President Wilson and the members of the Foreign Relations Committee of the Senate met at the White House Tuesday to discuss the peace treaty.

The President opened the discussion by impressing on the Senators the urgency of prompt ratification of the treaty without amendments and without reservations that would require resubmission of the treaty to the other signatories, especially Germany.

The President said that the interest of every class of people, the farmers, industrial workers and employers, demanded prompt ratification to the end that stable conditions of industry, agriculture and employment be reestablished. The President's address which was in effect an address to the country follows:

I hope that this conference will serve to expedite your consideration of the treaty of peace. I beg that you will pardon and indulge me if I again urge that practically the whole task of bringing the country back to normal conditions of life and industry waits upon the decision of the Senate with regard to the terms of the peace.

I venture thus again to urge my advice that the action of the Senate with regard to the treaty, at this earliest practicable moment because the peace is so near.

We are face to face in the readjustment of our national life are of the most pressing and critical character. It requires for their proper solution the most intimate and disinterested cooperation of all parties and all interests, and cannot be accomplished without manifest peril to our people and to all the national advantages which we hold most dear.

The copper mines of Montana, Arizona, and Alaska, for example, are being kept open and in operation only at a great cost and loss, in part upon borrowed money; the zinc mines of Missouri, Tennessee and Wisconsin are being operated at about one half their capacity; the lead of Idaho, Illinois and Missouri reaches only a portion of its former market; there is an immediate need for cotton belling and also for lubricating oil which cannot be met, at least in the near future, because the channels of trade are barred by war when there is no war. The same is true of raw cotton, of which the central empires alone formerly purchased nearly four million bales. And there are only examples. There is hardly a single raw material, a single important food stuff, or a single class of manufactured goods which is not in the same case. (Just full, normal profitable production waits on peace.

Our military plans of course wait upon it. We cannot intelligently or wisely decide how large a naval or military force we shall maintain or what our policy with regard to military training is to be until we have peace, not only, but also until we know how peace is to be sustained whether by the arms of single nations or by the concert of all the great peoples. And there is more than that difficulty involved. The vast surplus properties of the army include, not food and clothing merely, whose sale will affect nothing, production, but great manufacturing establishments, their former uses, great stores of machine tools, and all sorts of merchandise which must lie idle until peace and military policy are definitely determined.

The nations that ratify the treaty, such as Great Britain, Belgium and France, will be in a position to lay their plans for controlling the markets of Central Europe, without compulsion on us, if we do not presently act. We have no consular agents, nor trade representatives there to look out for our interests.

There are large areas of Europe whose future will be uncertain and questionable until their people know the final settlements of peace and the forces which are to administer and sustain it. Without determinate markets our production cannot proceed with intelligence or confidence. There can be no easy or normal industrial credits because there can be no confident or permanent revival of business. There can be no stabilization of wages because there can be no settled conditions of employment.

Every element of normal life amongst us depends upon and awaits the ratification of the treaty of peace; and we cannot afford to lose a single summer's day by not doing all that we can to mitigate the winter's suffering, which, unless we find means to prevent it, may prove disastrous to a large portion of the world, and may, at its worst, ring upon Europe conditions even more terrible than those brought by the war itself.

treaty except doubts with regard to the meaning and implications of certain articles of the covenant of the league of nations; and I must frankly say that I am unable to understand why such doubts should be entertained. You will recall that when I had the pleasure of a conference with your committee and with the committee of the House of Representatives on foreign affairs at the White House in March last, the questions now most frequently asked about the league of nations were all canvassed, with a view to their immediate clarification. The covenant of the league was then in its first draft and subject to revision. It was pointed out that no express recognition was given to the Monroe doctrine, that it was not expressly provided that the league should have no authority to act or to express a judgment on matters of domestic policy. That the right to withdraw from the league was not expressly recognized, and that the constitutional rights of the congress to determine all questions of peace and war was not sufficiently safeguarded. On my return to Paris all these matters were taken up again by the commission on the league of nations and every suggestion of the United States was accepted.

The view of the United States with regard to the questions I have mentioned had, in fact, largely been accepted by the commission and there was supposed to be nothing inconsistent with them in the draft of the covenant first adopted, the draft which was the subject of our discussion in March, but no objection was made to anything explicitly in the text that all had supposed to be implicit in it.

The Monroe Doctrine is expressly mentioned as an understanding which is in no way to be impaired or interfered with by anything contained in the covenant and the expression "regional understanding like the Monroe Doctrine" was used not because any one of the conference thought there was any comparable agreement anywhere else in existence or in contemplation, but only because it was thought best to avoid the appearance of dealing in such a document with the policy of a single nation.

With regard to domestic questions, Article XVI of the covenant expressly provides that, in case of any dispute arising between members of the league the matter involved is claimed by one of the parties, and is found by the Council to arise out of a matter which by international law is solely within the domestic jurisdiction of one of the parties, the Council shall so report and shall make no recommendation as to its settlement. The United States was by no means the only government interested in the explicit adoption of this provision, and there is no doubt in the mind of any authoritative student of international law that such matters as immigration, tariffs, and nationalization are unquestionably domestic questions, with which no international body could deal.

The right of any state to withdraw, had been taken for granted, but no objection was made to making it explicit. Indeed, so soon as the views expressed at the White House conference were laid before the commission, it was at once conceded that it was best not to touch the answer to so important a question to inference. No proposal was made to set up any tribunal to pass judgment upon the question whether a withdrawing nation has in fact fulfilled all its international obligations and all its obligations under the covenant. It was recognized that that question must be left to be resolved by the conscience of the nation proposing to withdraw, and I must say that it did not seem to me worth while to propose that the Article be made more explicit because I knew that the United States would never itself propose to withdraw from the League, if its conscience was not entirely clear as to the fulfillment of all its international obligations. It has never failed to fulfill them and never will.

Article X is in no respect of doubtful meaning when read in the light of the covenant as a whole. The Council of the League can only "advise upon" the means by which the obligations of that great Article are to be given effect. Unless the United States is a party to the policy or action in question, her vote in the Council is only advisory in any case. Each government is free to reject it if it pleases. Nothing could have been made more clear to the conscience of the United States under our constitution to exercise its independent judgment in all matters of peace and war, no attempt was made to question or limit that right. The United States will, indeed, undertake under Article X to "respect and preserve as against external aggression the territorial integrity and existing political independence of all members of the League," and that engagement constitutes very grave and solemn moral obligation. But it is a moral obligation, and leaves our Congress absolutely free to put its own interpretation upon it in all cases that call for action.

Article X seems to me to constitute the very backbone of the whole covenant. Without it the League would be hardly more than an influential debating society.

It has several times been suggested, in public debate and in private conference, that interpretations of the sense in which the United States accept the engagements of the covenant should be embodied in the instrument of ratification. There can be no reasonable objection to such interpretations provided they do not form a part of the formal ratification itself. But if such interpretations should constitute a part of the formal ratification of ratification, long delays would be inevitable, consequences, inasmuch as all the many governments concerned would have to accept, in effect, the language of the Senate as the language of the Treaty before ratification would be complete. The assent of the German Assembly at Weimar would have to be obtained, among the rest, and I must frankly say that I could only with the greatest reluctance approve that Assembly for permission to read the Treaty as we understand it and as those who framed it quite certainly understood it. If the United States were to qualify the document in any way, moreover, I am confident from what I know of the many conferences and debates which accompanied the formulation of the Treaty that our example would immediately be followed in many quarters. In some instances with very serious reservations, and that the most serious of these would be followed by the United States.

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